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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 23, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

House of Representatives

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Butterfield).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

April 22, 2020. I hereby appoint the Honorable G.K. BUTTERFIELD to act as Speaker pro tempore

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Merciful God, thank You for giving us another day.

Today is a travel day for the majority of Members. They return to the Capitol to consider coronavirus assistance to America's citizens, businesses, and communities. Keep them safe in their travel from the dangers of infection.

Continue to give wisdom and good judgment to America's citizens, and inspire the governors of this country to fashion wise policies.

There are many disagreements in our civic discourse. May all be mindful of the responsibilities of good citizenship.

During these times, bless those whose life's work is in service to public safety, be it police, medical professionals, or those producing and delivering our daily necessities.

May everything done this day be for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(a) of House Resolution 891, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, House of Representatives. Washington, DC, April 22, 2020.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on April 22, 2020, at 11:52 a.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 266.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 6322.

With best wishes, I am,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON RULES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Rules:

> House of Representatives. Washington, DC, April 21, 2020.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: I write to request a leave of absence from serving on the House Rules Committee while I recover from non-COVID related pneumonia. I appreciate your support during this time, and look forward to returning as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

MARK DESAULNIER, Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted. There was no objection.

ELECTING A CERTAIN MEMBER TO A CERTAIN STANDING COM-MITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REP-RESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair sends to the desk the following resolution (H. Res. 934) electing a certain Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

The Clerk read the title of the resolu-

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